

## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q65935

KUSANO, YUKIHIRO, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/960,345

Group Art Unit: 1771

Confirmation No.: 4619

Examiner: Norca Liz Torres Velazquez

Filed: September 24, 2001

For:

RUBBER-BASED COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND RUBBER ARTICLE USING THE

**SAME** 

## **DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Masato Yoshikawa, hereby declare and state:

THAT I am a citizen of Japan;

THAT I have received the degree of Engineering in 1982 from Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology;

THAT I have been employed by Bridgestone Corporation since April, 1982, where I hold a position as a manager, with responsibility for Development Department 1;

THAT the following experiment was conducted by me or under my direct supervision:

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